

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NORTH DAKOTA**

North Dakota Board of University and )	
School Lands, and North Dakota Office )	
of State Engineer, )	
)	
Plaintiffs, )	<b>ORDER SETTING DEADLINES TO</b>
) <b>SUBMIT STATUS REPORT</b>	
v. )	
)	
United States Department of Interior, )	
David Bernhardt, in his capacity as )	
Secretary of the United States Department )	
of the Interior, United States Bureau of )	
Land Management, William Pendley, in his )	
capacity as acting director of the United )	
States Bureau of Land Management and its )	
Deputy Director for Policy and Programs, )	
John Mehlhoff, in his capacity as the )	
Bureau of Land Management's State )	
Director for Montana and the Dakotas, and )	
the Interior Board of Land Appeals, )	Case No.: 1:20-cv-00185
)	
Defendants. )	

On August 22, 2025, the parties submitted a *Joint Notice and Proposal to Submit a Joint Status Report*. (Doc. No. 20). Therein, the parties advised that they have been engaged in discussion regarding the possibility of a stipulated resolution in light of the *Continental* litigation. See *Continental Resources, Inc. v. United States et al.*, 8th Cir. No. 23-2249 (mandate issued Aug. 1, 2025). As such, the parties request additional time to explore stipulated resolution and propose the submission of a joint status report due by October 22, 2025.

Based on the parties' joint notice, the court **ORDERS** that the parties submit a joint status report updating the Court on the status of the stipulated resolution discussions and proposing a schedule for any further proceedings by October 22, 2025.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated this 25th day of August, 2025.

*/s/ Clare R. Hochhalter*

Clare R. Hochhalter, Magistrate Judge  
United States District Court